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## A noncommutative analog of the Peskine–Szpiro Acyclity Lemma

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Daniel Bath (Purdue  $\rightarrow$  KU Leuven) A noncommutative analog of the Peskine

#### Peskine–Szpiro Acyclity Lemma

Suppose R is a commutative, Noetherian, local ring and

$$M_{\bullet} := 0 \rightarrow M_q \rightarrow M_{q-1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow M_0$$

a complex of finite *R*-modules such that depth  $M_j \ge j$ . If the first nonvanishing homology  $H_i$  occurs at i > 0, then depth  $H_i \ge 1$ .

#### Key Points

(a) depth 
$$M = \min\{j \mid \operatorname{Ext}_{R}^{j}(R/\mathfrak{m}, M) \neq 0\}.$$

- (b) Break up complex into short exact sequences. Covariant Hom<sub>R</sub>(R/m, -) gives progressively smaller lower bounds on depth for kernels and images.
- (c) One exact sequence is different & too short:

$$0 \rightarrow \ker(M_i \rightarrow M_{i-1}) \rightarrow M_i \rightarrow M_{i-1}.$$

Covariant Hom<sub>R</sub>( $R/\mathfrak{m}, -$ ) reveals depth ker( $M_i \rightarrow M_{i-1}$ )  $\geq 1$ .

Yearnings: Resolutions over non-commutative rings A

#### Commutative Land: rings R

- $\circ$  depth zero homology  $\implies M_{\bullet}$  resolves  $M_0/(M_1 \to M_0)$ .
- Auslander-Buchsbaum: equate depth with projective dimension:

depth  $M_i \ge i \iff$  pdim  $M_i \le$  depth R - i.

#### Noncommutative Land: rings A

- Want: criterion on homology  $\implies M_{\bullet}$  resolves  $M_0/(M_1 \rightarrow M_0)$ .
- Without depth, no "suitable" covariant functor ala  $\operatorname{Hom}_R(R/\mathfrak{m}, -)$ .
- Projective dimension attached to contravariant functor  $\text{Hom}_A(-, A)$ .

#### Definition

## The grade j(M) of M is min $\{j \mid \operatorname{Ext}_{A}^{j}(M, A) \neq 0\}$ .

### Definition

A ring A is an Auslander regular ring provided:

- (a) A is Noetherian (both left and right);
- (b) A has finite global homological dimension;
- (c) A satisfies Auslander's condition, i.e. for any finitely generated left A-module M and for any submodule  $N \subseteq \operatorname{Ext}_{A}^{k}(M, A)$ , the grade of N is bounded below by  $j(N) \geq k$ .

## Proposition (Bjork A.IV Prop 2.2)

Let A be an Auslander regular ring and M a finitely generated left A-module. Then

$$j(\mathsf{Ext}_A^{j(M)}(M,A)) = j(M).$$

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#### Lemma

Let A be an Auslander regular ring and

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a complex of finite left A-modules such that  $pdim(M_q) \le m - q$ . If the first nonvanishing homology occurs at slot *i*, then  $j(H_i) \le m - i < m$ .

Conclusions differ: grade  $\longleftrightarrow$  dimension; depth  $\iff$  projective dimension.

### Sketch

- (a) Break up into s.e.s., get progressively smaller upper bounds on pdim.
- (b) This stops at different & too short exact sequence

$$0 \rightarrow \ker(M_i \rightarrow M_{i-1}) \rightarrow M_i \rightarrow M_i$$

(c) Contravariant functor  $\text{Hom}_A(-, A)$  less helpful here. Instead: make s.e.s, use Auslander condition &  $\text{Ext}_A(\text{Ext}_A(-, A), A)$  kung-fu.

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 $\circ \ \mathscr{A}_R := \mathscr{D}_X \otimes_{\mathbb{C}} R. \ \mathscr{D}_X \text{ algebraic; } R \text{ finite, } \mathbb{C}\text{-algebra, regular, domain.}$ 

- Think: Bernstein–Sato.  $R = \mathbb{C}[s_1, \dots, s_r]$ ,  $\mathscr{A}_R = \mathscr{D}_X[s_1, \dots, s_r]$ .
- Extend order filtration to  $\mathscr{A}_R$  by giving R weight zero.

#### Proposition

Let dim X = n,  $\mathscr{D}_X$  be algebraic, and

$$M_{\bullet} := 0 \rightarrow M_n \rightarrow M_{n-1} \rightarrow \cdots M_1 \rightarrow M_0$$

a complex of finite left  $\mathscr{A}_R$ -modules such that  $pdim(M_q) \leq n-q$ . If all the homology modules  $H_i$  for i > 0 are supported, as  $\mathscr{O}_X$ -modules, on a discrete set, then  $M_{\bullet}$  resolves  $M_0/(M_1 \to M_0)$ .

#### Key ideas

- (a) Grade computed on associated graded side. Lemma  $\implies$  lower bound on dim of relative characteristic variety.
- (b) Relative characteristic variety is conical in  $gr(\partial)$  direction. Project to  $X \times \operatorname{Spec} R$ , get upper bound on dim of relative characteristic variety.

# Minimal faithful permutation representations of finite groups

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- Cayley's theorem guarantees that every finite group is a subgroup of a finite permutation group.
- Degree of *G* written as  $\rho(G)$  is defined to be the smallest natural number *n* such that *G* can be embedded in *S<sub>n</sub>*. Equivalently, we have a faithful group action of *G* on *X*, where |X| = n.
- Trivial bound is  $\rho(G) \le |G|$  and Cayley's constant is  $\alpha(G) = \frac{\rho(G)}{|G|}$ .

## History

- Johnson's paper [2] classifies finite groups G such that p(G) = |G|, and gives the value of p(G) for Abelian groups.
- Other groups such as *p*-groups, some easy semi-direct products, and some solvable groups, are studied by Elias et. all in [4, 5].
- Galois proved if q > 11 is a prime number, then  $p(\text{PSL}_2(\mathbb{F}_q)) = q + 1.$
- Table 4 of [1] contains values of *p*(*G*) for classical simple groups and exceptional simple groups of Lie type.
- The Atlas [2] contains the value of *p*(*G*) for all finite sporadic simple groups.

- For a simple group *G* computing *p*(*G*) is equivalent to finding a subgroup of *G* of minimal index.
- Given G, if H is the subgroup of minimal index in G, we obtain a permutation representation of G on G/H.
- This permutation representation is, in general, *not* faithful, unless *G* is simple.
- In his thesis, Patton [3] determined subgroups of minimal index in SL<sub>n</sub>(F<sub>q</sub>) and SP<sub>2m</sub>(F<sub>q</sub>) for q an odd prime power.
- Cooperstein [3] computed the minimal index of a subgroup for the remaining classical groups over finite fields using a generalization of Patton's method. He listed the size of the kernel of the corresponding permutation representation for each case.

- Write *GL<sub>n</sub>* for the group of *nxn* invertible matrices and *SL<sub>n</sub>* for the subgroup of *GL<sub>n</sub>* with determinant 1.
- $\mathbb{F}_q$  denotes the finite field with q elements, where q is taken to be a power of a prime p.
- $\{H_1, \ldots, H_n\}$  is called a minimal faithful collection of subgroups if  $\operatorname{core}_G(H_1, \ldots, H_n) = \{e\}$  and  $\sum_i \frac{|G|}{|H_i|}$  is minimal.

 $\rho(GL_2(\mathbb{F}_q)) =$ 

 $\rho(SL_2(\mathbb{F}_q)) + \Sigma \text{ odd primes } p \text{ (with exponents) s.t. } p \mid q - 1,$   $\rho(GL_3(\mathbb{F}_q)) = \rho(SL_3(\mathbb{F}_q)) +$   $\Sigma \text{ primes } p \text{ (with exponents) s.t. } p \mid q - 1, p \nmid gcd(3, q - 1),$   $\rho(GL_n(\mathbb{F}_q)) \leq \rho(SL_n(\mathbb{F}_q)) +$  $\Sigma \text{ primes } p \text{ (with exponents) s.t. } p \mid q - 1, p \nmid gcd(n, q - 1),$ 

 $\Sigma$  primes p (with exponents) s.t.  $p \mid q - 1, p \nmid gcd(n, q - 1)$ .

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## Diamonds in Langlands Local Functoriality

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"Langlands has always viewed the principle of functoriality as central to his view of automorphic representations...local and global Langlands conjectures are special cases of this principle." [Cogdell]

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Diamonds in Langlands Local Functoriality

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## Diamond Langlands: Reciprocity Law & Universality [Dob21]

- 1. Diamond Langlands:  $(\infty, 1)$ -categorification of Geometric Langlands.
- Diamond Langlands Functoriality: asserts existence of an L-homomorphism <sup>L</sup>D<sup>◊</sup><sub>1</sub> → <sup>L</sup>D<sup>◊</sup><sub>2</sub> (L-groups of two diamonds over Q<sub>p</sub>) that should induce a transfer map from automorphic representations of D<sup>◊</sup><sub>1</sub> to D<sup>◊</sup><sub>2</sub>; reinterpret "p-adic Langlands transfer" as "diamond p-adic Langlands transfer" SpdQ<sub>p</sub> = Spa(Q<sup>cycl</sup><sub>p</sub>)/Z<sup>×</sup><sub>p</sub>



Figure: Diamond  $SpdQ_p = Spa(Q_p^{cycl})/Z_p^{\times}$ ; geometric point  $Spa \ C \to D$ 

3.  $K^{Efimov}(\mathcal{Y}_{S,E}^{\diamond})$  and Diamond  $SpdQ_p = Spa(Q_p^{cycl})/Z_p^{\times}$  in  $LT/\mathcal{O}_F$ 

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## Diamond [Sch17, Dob21]

- 1. Let  $Perf \subset Perfd$  be the subcategory of perfectoid spaces of characteristic p. A diamond is a pro-'etale sheaf  $\mathcal{D}$  on site Perf written as X/R of a perfectoid space X by a pro-étale eqr.
- 2. Functor of points. Let C be an algebraically closed affinoid field. A geometric point  $Spa(C) \rightarrow D$  is "visible" via pullback along a quasi pro-étale cover  $X \rightarrow D$  in profinitely many copies of Spa(C).



# Diamonds in Geometrization of Local Langlands [SchFar] + D-Modules in Geometric Langlands

- 1. Geometrize local Langlands through sheaves on the diamond stack of G-bundles on FFC. E is a finite extension of  $Q_p$ . G is a reductive group over E. "Make Spec(E) geometric."
- <sup>L</sup>G and ∑ an algebraic curve, there is an equivalence of derived categories of D-modules on the moduli stack of G-principal bundles on ∑ and quasi-coherent sheaves on the <sup>L</sup>G-moduli stack of local systems on ∑: as OMod(Loc<sub>LG</sub>(∑) →
- 3. (Fargues)  $Bun_G = v$ -stack on  $Perf_{\hat{F}_q}$  of G-bundles / curve, where  $S = \hat{F}_q$ ,  $X_S$  a perfectoid space (adic space /  $Q_p$ ); family of curves.
- 4. (Hope 2.3)  $Bun_G$  is a smooth diamond stack.
- 5. At the level of diamonds,  $Y_{S,E}^{\diamond} = S \times (SpaE)^{\diamond}$  for S perfectoid.

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Diamonds in Langlands Local Functoriality

## Diamond Langlands Functoriality in p-adic Groups [Dob21]

- 1. Local Functoriality: Let k be a local field. If  $\phi : {}^{L}G \to {}^{L}H$  is an L-hom, there is a map { (L-packets of) admissible reps of H(k)}  $\to$  { (L-packets of) admissible reps of G(k)}  $\pi \to \pi'$ , given by  $c(\pi') = \phi(c(\pi))$  (unram); satake parameters (conjugacy classes); L-packet is fiber over an admissible hom  $\phi$  (S.M.C).
- 2. Ludwig: "p-adic Langlands transfer" p-adic families.
- 3. Diamond Langlands Functoriality: L -hom  ${}^{L}\mathcal{D}_{1}^{\diamond} \rightarrow {}^{L}\mathcal{D}_{2}^{\diamond}$  induces a transfer map from automorphic reps for  $\mathcal{D}_{1}^{\diamond}$  to  $\mathcal{D}_{2}^{\diamond}$ .
- 4. "p-adic Langlands transfer" as "diamond p-adic Langlands transfer"  $SpdQ_p = Spa(Q_p^{cycl})/Z_p^{\times}$  in  ${}^{L}\mathcal{D}_1^{\diamond}$   $\hat{\mathcal{D}}_1^{\diamond}$
- 5. Universal Construction: *D*-Module/ Functor of Diamond Points  $SpaC \rightarrow D$ .

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Tate's Thesis and 3d Mirror Symmetry  
The global grometric longlands correspondence is a conjectual equivalence  

$$D(Bung(C)) \cong Chyg(Flatge(C))$$
  
To the core  $G = G^{\perp} = Gm$  this is a theorem of Laumon, Rothsteth.  
There is a less known local Longlands conjectured which claims  
 $2D(Bung(D)) \cong 2Con(Flatge(D))$   
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 $D(X) \equiv Con(XsR)$   
 $Fir Bung(D) \equiv B GR(r)$  have  
 $2D(K(X)) \equiv B GR(r)$  have  
 $Con(X) \cong (Gh(K), S) - mod$   
The core  $G \equiv G^{\perp} \equiv Gm$  Beilinson - Dunkid proved  
 $(D(Gm(Cr)), m_{*}) \cong (Ceh(Flatge(D), S))$   
and here the local Lenglands conjecture.$$ 

Let's understand Beilinson - Drinteld's reputt Flatge (B) = { (P, V) | P principal GL-bundle on D, V Alat connection 3 must be trivial  $\nabla = d - A$ = gratil dt / gratil Cath) acting via gauge trasformetions  $g \cdot A = g A g^{-1} + g^{-1} dg$ Bur G = Buy Levelt - Turvition gives Flot (10) = Flot (10) R.S. X imegular C华/Z毕×BGM Ker(Res: C(Cf))dt/CI+Odt-DC)dR it is also easy to see that × <u>W</u>  $G_{m}(C+)) \cong G_{m} \times \mathbb{Z} \times K_{n}$ TI (Gm) first anymence subgrap and group of big with rectors  $D(\tilde{w}) = 0$ Ker ( on Ft ] -> on ) Then  $D(\mathbb{Z}) \cong Ch(B6m)$ D(K) = an (irregular) since + a [+] is deal to + -2 a [+-1] D(Gn) Z Ch (A'(Z) by mellin Trens form

Kepusnin-witten and Gaitsgong-Frenkel showed that the geometric Longlands correspondences are consequences of S-dudity For 42 SYM. Matumenically, this gives rise to a large number of compenibilities that must be schefted.

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Henitonia G-space  $G C^{\circ} \times \stackrel{M}{\rightarrow} g^{\dagger}$   $X_{B} \in 2D(Bung(C\bar{D}))$   $X_{B} \in 2Ch(Flot_{G}(D))$ 

and for the geometric lenglands equililered to exchange

 $X_{A}$ S(R)B  $X_{B} \triangleleft \delta \delta(X)_{A}$ 

Bored on work of costello's students Elliott-You and work of H. - Dimothe, Philsong You and I conjectured put when X = Tt Y we have

$$X_A = D(Maps(B,Y))$$
  $D(Maps(B,G))$   
 $Y(C+T)$   $G(C+T)$ 

$$\{(P,\nabla,s) \mid s \in \Gamma(\mathcal{O}, \mathcal{V}_{P}) \text{ with } \nabla s = O \}$$

Som Reskin and I proved the following when 
$$G = G' = G_{m}$$
 and  
 $X = S(X) = T^{m} A'$ .  
This (Tak's there is a equivalent  
 $D(A'(C+T)) \cong C_{m}(Maps(\vec{D}_{0R}, A'/G_{m}))$   
intertaining the related actions of  $D(G_{m}(CT)) \cong C_{m}(Flat_{m}(TD))$ .  
To get a feeling for their result look at  
 $Flat_{G_{m}}(\vec{D})_{RS} = (A'/Z)^{\frac{1}{2}} \times BG_{m}$   
 $f = \frac{1}{S \in CA(T)} (G = X^{\frac{1}{2}})_{S = 0}^{2} = \int_{0}^{0} \int_{0}^{1} \frac{X \notin Z}{X \notin D}$   
For ind-pro Aracta on  $C(CT)$  we see that  
 $Maps(U_{0R}, A'/G_{m})_{RS} = \int_{0}^{1} Cdim lim (++++) \int_{0}^{1} \frac{Z \times G_{m}}{Z}$   
 $Pct of our theorem is a fully fight fill envedding
 $D(A') \subset D Corr(Maps(U_{0R}, A'/G_{m})_{RS})$$ 

mich we believe to be new.



Singularities of a modification of the Grothendieck-Springer resolution D-modules, Group Actions, and Frobenius:

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## Definitions and fundamental constructions, work over $\mathbb{C}$ .

$$\begin{split} &G = \mathsf{GL}_n(\mathbb{C}), \ \mathfrak{g} = \mathsf{Lie}(G) = \mathfrak{gl}_n \cong \mathfrak{g}^* \\ &B = \mathsf{invertible upper triangular matrices } G, \ \mathfrak{b} = \mathsf{Lie}(B) \\ &\mathfrak{b}^* = \mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{u}^+, \mathfrak{u}^+ = \mathsf{strictly upper triangular matrices in } \mathfrak{g} \\ &G \oslash G \times \mathfrak{b} \times \mathbb{C}^n \mathsf{ via } g.(g', r, i) = (g'g^{-1}, r, gi), \\ &B \oslash G \times \mathfrak{b} \times \mathbb{C}^n \mathsf{ via } b.(g', r, i) = (g', brb^{-1}, bi), \\ &G \times B \oslash G \times \mathfrak{b} \times \mathbb{C}^n. \\ &\mathsf{Take the derivative of } G \times B \mathsf{-action}: \\ &a_{G \times B} : \underbrace{\mathsf{Lie}(G \times B)}_{\mathfrak{g} \times \mathfrak{b}} \to \Gamma(T_{G \times \mathfrak{b} \times \mathbb{C}^n}) \subseteq \mathbb{C}[T^*(G \times \mathfrak{b} \times \mathbb{C}^n)], \\ &a_{G \times B}(v, w)(g', r, i) = \frac{d}{dt}(\exp(tv), \exp(tw)).(g', r, i)|_{t=0}, \\ &\mathsf{and then dualize } a_{G \times B} \mathsf{ to obtain } \mu_{G \times B} : T^*(G \times \mathfrak{b} \times \mathbb{C}^n) \to \mathfrak{g}^* \times \mathfrak{b}^*, \\ & (g', \theta, r, s, i, j) \mapsto (-\theta + ij, \ \overline{g'\theta(g')^{-1}} + [r, s]), \\ &\mathsf{where } \ \overline{v} : \mathfrak{g}^* \to \mathfrak{b}^*. \\ &G\mathsf{-action is free on } \mu_{G \times B}^{-1}(0), \mathsf{ so we can take } g' = 1. \end{split}$$

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## Fundamental constructions.

Now, consider  $B \oplus \mathfrak{b} \times \mathbb{C}^n$  via  $b.(r, i) = (brb^{-1}, bi)$ . Take the derivative of B-action:  $a_B$ : Lie $(B) \to \Gamma(T_{\mathfrak{h} \times \mathbb{C}^n}) \subset \mathbb{C}[T^*(\mathfrak{b} \times \mathbb{C}^n)],$  $a_B(w)(r,i) = \frac{d}{dt}(\exp(tw).(r,i))|_{t=0} = ([w,r],wi)$ , and then dualize  $a_B$  to obtain  $\mu_B$ :  $T^*(\mathfrak{b} \times \mathbb{C}^n) \to \mathfrak{b}^*, (r, s, i, j) \mapsto [r, s] + ij.$  $\mathfrak{b} \times \mathfrak{b}^* \times \mathbb{C}^n \times (\mathbb{C}^n)^*$  $\mu_{P}^{-1}(0) \hookrightarrow \mu_{C \times P}^{-1}(0), (r, s, i, j) \mapsto (1, ij, r, s, i, j).$ Bijection between *B*-orbits on  $\mu_B^{-1}(0)$  and  $G \times B$ -orbits on  $\mu_{C \times B}^{-1}(0)$ . So  $\mu_B^{-1}(0)/B \cong \mu_{G \times B}^{-1}(0)/G \times B$  as quotient stacks. From symplectic geometry.

$$\begin{split} \mu_{G\times B}^{-1}(0)/G\times B &\cong T^*((G\times\mathfrak{b}\times\mathbb{C}^n)/(G\times B)) \cong T^*((G\times_B\mathfrak{b}\times\mathbb{C}^n)/G) \\ &= T^*((\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}\times\mathbb{C}^n)/G), \text{ where } \widetilde{\mathfrak{g}} \supseteq \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}, \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{\mathfrak{g}} &= \{(x,\mathfrak{b}) \in \mathfrak{g} \times G/B : x \in \mathfrak{b}\}, \ \text{ and } \ \widetilde{\mathcal{N}} = \{(x,\mathfrak{b}) \in \mathcal{N} \times G/B : x \in \mathfrak{b}\}.\\ &\text{So } \mu_B^{-1}(0)/B \cong T^*((\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}} \times \mathbb{C}^n)/G). \end{split}$$

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## Fundamental constructions.

 $\mu_B^{-1}(0) /\!\!/ B$  is a highly singular scheme.

$$\begin{split} \mu_B &: T^*(\mathfrak{b}\times\mathbb{C}^n)\to\mathfrak{b}^* \text{ is the Borel moment map of our interest!} \\ \text{Affine quotient } \mu_B^{-1}(0)/\!\!/B &:= \operatorname{Spec}(\mathbb{C}[\mu_B^{-1}(0)]^B) \text{, where} \\ \mathbb{C}[\mu_B^{-1}(0)] &= \frac{\mathbb{C}[T^*(\mathfrak{b}\times\mathbb{C}^n)]}{\langle \mu_B(r,s,i,j)\rangle} \text{ and} \end{split}$$

 $\mathbb{C}[\mu_B^{-1}(0)]^B = \{ f \in \mathbb{C}[\mu_B^{-1}(0)] : b.f = f \text{ for all } b \in B \}.$ 

Reminds us of  $\mu_G : T^*(\mathfrak{g} \times \mathbb{C}^n) \to \mathfrak{g}^*, (r, s, i, j) \mapsto [r, s] + ij.$ GIT quotient:  $\mu_G^{-1}(0) /\!\!/_{\det} G \cong \mu_G^{-1}(0) /\!\!/_{\det^{-1}} G \cong \operatorname{Hilb}^n(\mathbb{C}^2),$ Affine quotient:  $\mu_G^{-1}(0) /\!\!/ G \cong S^n(\mathbb{C}^2) = (\mathbb{C}^2)^n / S_n$ , and the Hilbert-Chow morphism  $\operatorname{Hilb}^n(\mathbb{C}^2) \xrightarrow{\operatorname{HC}} S^n(\mathbb{C}^2)$ , which is a symplectic resolution of singularities, *i.e.*,  $\operatorname{Hilb}^n(\mathbb{C}^2) = \operatorname{Bl}_{\mathscr{I}}(S^n\mathbb{C}^2)$ , where  $\mathscr{I}$  is an ideal sheaf.

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## Fundamental constructions.

Let  $\chi:B\to\mathbb{C}\setminus\{0\}$  be a nontrivial character.

Work in progress, joint with Meral Tosun (for  $n \leq 5$ ):

- 1 construct  $\mu_B^{-1}(0)/\!\!/_\chi B \twoheadrightarrow \mu_B^{-1}(0)/\!\!/ B$  explicitly,
- 2 identify  $\mu_B^{-1}(0) /\!\!/_{\chi} B$  with a noncommutative analog of the Hilbert scheme,
- 3 identify  $\mu_B^{-1}(0)/\!\!/_{\chi}B$  as a noncommutative blow-up of a closed subscheme of  $\mu_B^{-1}(0)/\!\!/B$ , and
- **4** identify  $\mu_B^{-1}(0) /\!\!/ B$  with a noncommutative analog of  $S^n(\mathbb{C}^2)$ .

For the case when  $n \ge 6$  (or the case when we have more than 5 Jordan blocks for a parabolic setting), we have a complete intersection problem!

Thank you! Are there any questions?



# D-simplicity of singular rings

Let *R* be a *k*-algebra and  $D_R = D_{R/k}$  the ring of *k*-linear differential operators. We'll study the question of when *R* is a simple  $D_R$ -module.

## Definition

A ring *R* is called *D*-simple if it's a simple  $D_R$ -module (i.e., given any  $r \in R$ , there's  $\delta \in D_R$  such that  $\delta(r) = 1$ ).

It is easily seen that polynomial rings over *k*, and more generally smooth *k*-algebras, are *D*-simple. Thus, one can think of *D*-simplicity as being a proxy for smoothness.

# Examples of *D*-simple rings

Differential operators are hard to compute explicitly, so D-simplicity is known only in a few cases over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Most known examples are direct summands of regular rings (e.g., invariant subrings of finite groups).

Things are better understood in characteristic *p*:

## Theorem (Smith 1995)

An F-pure ring R is a simple  $D_R$ -module if and only if R is strongly F-regular.

In case this is meaningful: *F*-regularity is the characteristic-*p* version of klt singularities.

# D-simplicity as measure of singularity

The previous examples in characteristic 0 and the picture in characteristic-*p* suggest that "nicer" singularities might be *D*-simple.

For example, one can ask:

## Question (Levasseur and Stafford 1989)

Let *R* be a  $\mathbb{C}$ -algebra. If *R* has rational (or klt) Gorenstein singularities, is *R* then *D*-simple?

Don't worry about the definitions of these singularities: both are ways of measuring "mildness" of singularities.

## A negative answer

Our main theorem is a negative answer to this question:

Theorem (- 2020)

The ring  $R = \mathbb{C}[x, y, z, w]/(x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + w^3)$  has rational/klt Gorenstein singularities, but is not D-simple.

Note that Proj *R* is a smooth cubic surface; the theorem is true for the coordinate ring of *any* smooth cubic surface.

For the rest of the talk, we'll discuss where this example comes from, and related examples.

# Proof sketch

The idea is fairly simple:

- We look at rings occurring as homogeneous coordinate rings of smooth projective varieties *X*.
- To get rings with "nice" singularities, one has to impose restrictions on the canonical bundle ω<sub>X</sub> of X (X must be Fano).
- We recall a criteria of Hsiao connecting *D*-simplicity to "positivity" (bigness) of the tangent bundle  $T_X$ .
- Finally, we prove that the tangent bundle of certain Fano surfaces are not big.